## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of LYDIA D. LEYBA <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Santa Fe, NM

Docket No. 98-1299; Submitted on the Record; Issued October 4, 1999

## **DECISION** and **ORDER**

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof in establishing that she sustained any condition that was causally related to factors of her federal employment.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the December 18, 1997 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, finalized on that date, is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.<sup>1</sup>

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated December 18, 1997 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. October 4, 1999

> George E. Rivers Member

Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Robert S. Winchester, 45 ECAB 135 (1993).